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TOPIC KVP in the Zittau-Goerlitz Border Area

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1. KVP vehicles seen in the jute spinning mill in Ostritz on 9 August 1953 included 100 tank trucks, 130 trucks for the transportation of troops and about 100 motorcycles. [] the vehicles were driven in on the premises of the spinning mill during the last weeks.¹ 25X1
2. Between land 15 August, the district police force in the Zittau-Goerlitz area was reinforced by discharged KVPs. Police posts were established even in the smallest country communities. The SED Kreisleitung (district headquarters) decreed that harvest guards furnished by VPs, workers and employees were to be employed at night in all communities, as a measure against sabotage acts.²
3. [] KVP units including infantry, signal and tank units, the latter with T-34 tanks and SU-100 guns, and totaling several thousand men were said to have left their post at Baerenstein in the Erzgebirge Mts. for Marienberg and Goerlitz. The tanks and guns were officially bound for Goerlitz. However, no units were observed to arrive in Goerlitz and the vicinity. But it was learned that girlfriends of KVP members of the tank unit living in Baerenstein went to see their friends in Spremberg.³ 25X1
1. [] Comment. This is the first information on these vehicles which are apparently parked there. 25X1
2. [] Comment. [] KVP members could register for service with the HVDVP. 25X1
3. [] Comment. Most of the components of the infantry unit in Niederschlag were transferred to Chemnitz and Marienberg in early July 1953. [] The tank units moving to Spremberg were presumably detachments for the tank training regiment there. Tank units from Niederschlag had also been detached in the spring. 25X1

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